April 2019

Registration is Open - 2019 Persistence to Graduation Summit

The 2019 Persistence to Graduation Summit: Safe and Supportive Learning will be held July 9-10 at the Lexington Convention Center. The summit will feature peer-led interactive breakout sessions, keynotes by Hamish Brewer (2017 NAESP Nationally Distinguished Principal and Virginia Principal of the year, Prince William County Public Schools 2019 Principal of the Year) and Marietta Watts (Executive Diversity Liaison for the Office of Institutional Diversity and leader of Unconscious Bias Initiative at the University of Kentucky), and networking opportunities to deepen your knowledge of dropout prevention and re-engagement strategies. Summit topics will include well rounded educational opportunities, safe and supportive learning environments, effective use of education technology, student transition and re-engagement strategies, and alternative education. EILA credit and CEUs for social workers will be available.

Registration for the summit will be free on a first come, first serve basis. All attendees are responsible for registering themselves. Use the discount code **PTG2019** in order to attend at no charge when you <u>register</u>. You must use this discount code to avoid being charged a registration fee.

A block of rooms has been reserved for the summit at the Hyatt Regency Lexington. All guests making reservations should call 1-800-233-1234 and identify themselves as part of the AdvancED Conference Room Block to receive the special rate. Reservations must be received by the cut-off date of 6/10/19. Any reservation requests received after the cut-off date will be subject to availability and prevailing rates. Reservation requests for dates before and/or after the confirmed room block dates will also be subject to availability and prevailing rates.

Please direct all payment-related questions (purchase orders, etc.) to the reservations phone number listed above. If you have questions regarding registration, please contact <u>Betsy Owen</u>/888-413-3669, ext. 5783 at AdvancED. If you have questions regarding EILA credit or CEUs, please contact <u>Donna Montgomery</u>/502-564-4772 ext. 4032.

CRDC – Reporting Number of Bullying and Harassment Victims

The Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) requires reporting of the number of victims who state that they have been harassed or bullied based on sexual orientation, religion, disability, sex, race, color or national origin. Schools should enter this data on the Participant Detail section of a behavior event. Reference the Behavior Data Standards, Section C, for guidance on data entry of participant details in Infinite Campus Behavior Management Tool. Direct questions regarding behavior data entry to Windy Newton.



Safety Briefs

New Infinite Campus Data Visualization Tool

KDE and Infinite Campus (IC) have partnered with Computer Information Concepts to create visualizations with an initial focus on the areas of demographics, behavior, and attendance. Each area contains various views of the data such as charts, heat maps and spreadsheets. Users can download or print data. The IC Data Analysis Portal can provide meaningful and useful insights into the complex education data available. The tool can be used to guide an action plan to help an individual student or a group of students, and is able to easily filter and/or combine data for specific subgroups.

<u>This PowerPoint</u> provides an introduction to the IC Data Analysis Portal. The <u>Infinite Campus Data Analysis</u> Portal User Guide is a useful tool and includes information on how districts grant user access.

Training videos for the Infinite Campus Data Analysis Portal are available within the Campus Community Data Visualization forum. Infinite Campus login credentials are required to access the videos.

New MHTTC Guide Available

The Mental Health Technology Transfer Center (MHTTC) has released a guide called "After a School Tragedy ... Readiness, Response, Recovery, and Resources." This resource is designed to help schools better support students and families in the aftermath of violence and trauma. It provides strategies to assist schools with readiness, response, and recovery to support resilience in the event of a tragedy. The guide also offers places to turn for more resources and discusses terminology and concepts related to suicide and grief. Finally, it highlights the importance of providing culturally responsive services, with example cultural considerations for schools to help Hispanic/Latino students struggling with grief and trauma.

Radon Hazards Poster Contest

The Kentucky State Radon Coalition is sponsoring a middle school (ages 9-14) children's poster contest to increase radon awareness and encourage testing. Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas which is released from rock and soil. It can accumulate inside a home and, at elevated levels, increase the risk of developing lung cancer. In fact, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, second only to cigarette smoking. Winners will receive gift cards ranging from \$100 to \$500. Artwork can be submitted between March 1, 2019, and November 1, 2019. Contest guidelines provide more details regarding submission requirements. For more information, visit the website or contact Amber Ballinger with the Kentucky Department for Public Health at (502) 564-4856.

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